

The Northern Press

On the Murder of Goebel and Taylor's Acts of High-handed Lawlessness.

Republican Papers on Caleb Powers' Trial.

The verdict of the jury in the trial of Caleb Powers, ex-secretary of state of Kentucky, which finds him guilty of complicity in the murder of William Goebel and fixes his punishment at imprisonment for life, will surprise no one who has carefully followed the evidence and is at all familiar with the political conditions in that state growing out of the contest over the governorship.

It cannot be denied that the state produced a formidable array of evidence tending to prove that the assassination of Goebel was not the work of a reckless, daredevil mountaineer who did the dastardly job upon his own responsibility, but that it was the result of a carefully planned conspiracy. There is no longer any doubt among fair-minded Republicans as well as Democrats that the Goebel murder was deliberately planned and the assassin was the agent of a conspiracy which had conceived that some advantage was to be derived from the removal of the Democratic claimant to the governorship.

The task for the state in the case of Powers was to establish his connection with or responsibility for the conspiracy which is known to have existed. The state claims to have done this upon the testimony of several witnesses who related conversations in which Powers is alleged to have stated that "Goebel had to be killed." The most credible testimony of this character was given by Finley Anderson, a Republican and a warm personal friend of Powers, a resident of Barbourville, the home of the defendant, who detailed a conversation in which Powers told him that "Goebel would not live to take his seat," and that "if necessary he would kill him himself."

Add to such testimony as this the admission of Powers that he organized the crowd of 1,200 armed mountaineers which came to Frankfort on January 15; also the proof that he gave Henry E. Youtsey the key to his office in the state building and that the shot which killed Goebel was fired from that office and it is difficult to see how the jury under the instructions of Judge Cantrill, could bring in any other verdict than that of guilty of "accessory before the fact to the murder."

The trial of Youtsey, who was seen running down the stairway from the secretary of state's office immediately after the shot was fired and to whom Powers gave the key to the office, promises more important revelations than were disclosed in the trial just ended, and if conducted with the same vigor by the state should clear up the conspiracy that has blackened the name of Kentucky. (Chicago-Times Herald (Rep.))

THIRTEEN REASONS.

Why Trusts Should Be Driven Out of This Country.

Here are a few of the reasons why the "plain people" are not inclined to meekly accept the inspired statements of the trust organs and speakers, showing what a natural, necessary and beneficent the trust is:

- It requires 50 per cent more wheat to buy a stove than it did in 1896.
- It requires twenty bushels more corn to buy a wagon than it did in 1896.
- It requires 100 per cent more corn or wheat to buy a copper kettle than in 1896.
- It requires twice as much corn to buy a coil of rope as in 1896.
- It requires 40 per cent more grain to buy a plow than in 1896.
- It requires 75 per cent more grain to buy a hoe, a rake or a shovel than in 1899.
- A set of common wheels that cost \$7 in 1896, now costs \$12.
- The price of cultivators and other farm implements has gone up proportionately.
- Galvanized barbed wire costs from \$4 to \$4.50 per hundred more than in 1896.
- It requires 40 per cent more corn or cotton to buy a pound of sugar than in 1896.
- You have to pay 40 per cent more for glass than in 1896.
- Freight rates have climbed back to the exorbitant prices which caused a popular revolt in legislation a few years ago.
- The prices of oil, coal, lumber, tools and hardware have gone up from 40 to 100 per cent.
- And all these things have been done by the trusts.
- A trust robs you waking or sleeping, eating or drinking, working or playing, living or dying, and the coffin trust gets you in the end.

Extravagant Waste of Public Money To Perpetuate the Administration.

Some idea of the extra vagant waste of the public's money, in an effort to reward the political heeler, may be obtained by a study of the figures given below. These offices were created by the Republican majority in the first session of the present Congress, and the patronage list thus handed over to the party managers for "effective" use to "perpetuate the present Administration" was not the least of the services which that body rendered the party.

Total number of offices created.....	5,069
Total amount of annual salary attached	\$4,537,673 77
New offices created, not included in the above, for which salaries were not specified, amount to an annual sum of	2,721,304 84
Total amount appropriated to reward faithful party.....	\$7,258,978 61

This sum does not include the amount expended in "special commissions" and alleged confidential services in the War and Navy Departments for the appointing of which McKinley and his Cabinet have developed especial aptitude.

WHERE IS TAYLOR NOW?

"There remains but one course open to him (Taylor), and that is to return as soon as he can, walk bravely and boldly into court and meet the indictment like a man. Any other course would be rank injustice, not only to himself, but to those of his friends who have been accused of so foul a crime. I do not know whether the indictment has been found against Mr. Taylor, but I have no doubt if it is that he will promptly surrender himself into the hands of the law, and believe that any intimation to the contrary does him an injustice."—Ex-Gov. Bradley, April 2.

"Once for all, I desire to say, neither directly nor indirectly, had I any connection with the assassination of Senator Goebel. I am a citizen of this State, amenable to its laws; I am not a criminal, neither shall I ever be a fugitive from justice. Whenever indicted, if such an outrage should be committed, I shall appear for trial, conscious of my innocence and of the ultimate triumph of right and justice."—W. S. Taylor, April 7.

TAYLOR A DESPOT.

Taylor's course, from the moment of his inauguration, has been subversive of the fundamental principles of democratic government. All these circumstances taken together place Gov. Taylor's case in the worse possible light. A man who, after his installation as governor, is capable of such lawless, arbitrary and generally unprincipled conduct is manifestly not to be credited with honest and law-abiding methods in the campaign which eventuated in his being declared governor.

Whether Taylor or Goebel is the rightful governor of Kentucky now becomes a secondary issue. The main question is the immediate necessity that the extraordinary despotism set up by Taylor and backed with bayonets and bullets shall be pulled down and replaced with the Democratic form of government to which Kentucky has the same title as every other state in the union. Better a hundred years of slippery politics on the Goebel plan than one hour of Taylor's roughshod autocracy. —[Pittsburg Leader, Republican.]

ORDER OF COURT.

CALL TERM ROCKCASTLE COUNTY COURT, SEPT. 21, 1900.

Whereas, twenty per cent of the legal voters of Rockcastle county hath made application, by written petition to me, Judge of the Rockcastle County Court, to order an election to be held on the 6th day of November 1900, at the various voting places in said county, for the purpose of taking the sense of the voters of said county as to whether or not, they desire an appropriation of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be secured by selling Bonds of the county, to be payable at the option of the county at any time within twenty-five years from date of their issue, and to bear a rate of interest not greater than four per cent per annum from date until paid, and not to be sold at a price less than their par value, for the purpose of raising money to build and maintain turn pikes and gravel roads in Rockcastle county. Said bonds to be paid, as well as their interest, by means of levying a tax of not to exceed 15 cents on each hundred dollars worth of taxable property in said county, each year until the same are paid.

Said election is now ordered to be held at the next regular election, which is on the 6th day of November 1900.

The Sheriff of this county is hereby ordered and directed to open a poll at each and all the voting places of the county aforesaid, for the purpose of taking the sense of the voters on said question. The Sheriff of said county will cause to be published in The Kentucky Colonist and The Mt. VERNON SIGNAL, two weekly newspapers, published and having general circulation in said county, a copy of this order for at least four weeks prior to the day of said election.

Given under my hand this the 21, day of September 1900.

R. G. WILLIAMS,
Judge Rockcastle County Court.
A copy attest.

M. C. MILLER, Clerk.
By J. J. Cook, Deputy Clerk.

GAME NEAR DYING.

"For three days and nights I suffered agony untold from an attack of cholera morbus brought on by eating cucumbers," says M. E. Lowther, clerk of the district court, Centerville, Iowa. "I thought I should surely die, and tried a dozen different medicines but all to no purpose. I sent for a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and three doses relieved me entirely. I went to sleep and did not awake for eight hours. On awakening a few hours ago I felt so gratified that the first work I do on going to the office is to write to the manufacturers of this remedy and offer them my grateful thanks and say, 'God bless you and the splendid medicine you make.' This remedy is for sale by Theo Wesley Druggist."

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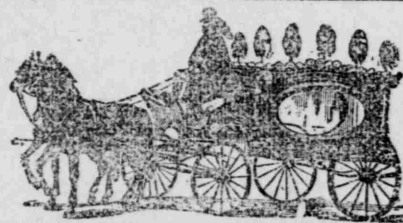
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